

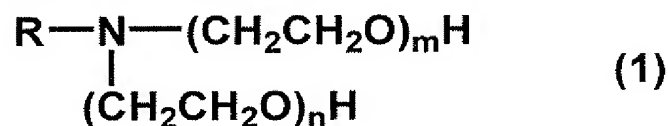
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition ~~for contacting with a part to be cleaned~~ to which at least one oil selected from the group consisting of grease-base grease-based oil, naphthene-base naphthene-based mineral oil, paraffin-base paraffin-based mineral oil, poly- α -olefin, polyol ester, and polydimethyl siloxane attaches, and the composition separating the oil from the part, while providing the parts with a rust-preventive property, thus forming an oil layer containing the oil, the composition comprising:

(X) an ethylene oxide additive of monoalkyl amine represented by ~~the~~ general formula (1), and

(Y) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of ~~[[.]]~~ an N-monoalkyl-N-(2-hydroxyalkyl)-iminoethylene carboxylate having a hydrocarbon group with ~~thea~~ number of carbon atoms from 8 to 22; an acylated amino acid salt having a hydrocarbon group with ~~thea~~ number of carbon atoms from 8 to 22; an alkyloyl sarcosinate having a hydrocarbon group with ~~thea~~ number of carbon atoms from 8 to 22, and a tall oil fatty acid salt ~~[[.]]~~

~~{Chemical Formula 1}~~



~~(in the general formula (1), wherein~~ R designates an alkyl group having a straight chain or a side chain with ~~thea~~ number of carbon atoms from 7 to 9, m designates an integer from 0 to 2, n designates an integer from 0 to 2, and (m + n) designates an integer from 1 to 3. ~~[[.]]~~

2. (Currently Amended) The rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition according to claim 1, wherein ~~the (m + n) in the general formula (1) is an integer of 1 or 2.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein ~~the R in the general formula (1) is a 2-ethylhexyl group.~~

4. (Currently Amended) The rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition ~~in any one of claims according to claim 1 to 3, wherein the mass ratio of the (X) component to and the (Y) component~~ have a mass ratio [(W_x)/(W_y)] ~~[[.]]~~ is in a range from 3/7 to 7/3.

5. (Currently Amended) A cleaning method comprising ~~the steps of:~~

placing a part to be cleaned to which oil is attached ~~to~~in contact with a cleaning liquid containing the rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition according to ~~any one of claims~~claim 1; to ~~4~~

~~and to separate~~separating the oil from the part, while providing the part with a rust-preventive property;

~~and~~ forming an oil layer containing the oil; and

reusing an aqueous layer as the cleaning liquid, wherein the aqueous layer is obtained by removing the oil layer from the cleaning liquid after ~~contacting~~contact with the part, as the cleaning liquid.

6. (Currently Amended) The cleaning method according to claim 5, wherein the cleaning liquid has a pH, and the pH of the cleaning liquid containing the rust-preventive water-oil separating cleaner composition is adjusted to 7.5 or ~~higher~~ larger.